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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)

Grant Recipient: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Project Title:

Matanuska-Susitna Borough - Goose Bay Elementary School Library/Technology Upgrade

State Funding Requested: \$7,500 House District: 15 - H

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Library/Technology Upgrades

Funding Plan:

Total Cost of Project: \$7,500

<u>Funding Secured</u> <u>Other Pending Requests</u> <u>Anticipated Future Need</u>

Amount FY Amount FY Amount FY

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

These funds are needed to replace and repair damaged books and purchase new titles so that students have adequate research and literary materials for their education. In addition these funds are also needed to ensure that students have access to working and updated computers and technology for research and other educational purposes. Books have become worn and new titles are being printed and the library needs replace and expand its book collection. Likewise, as computer and electronics technologies are advancing current systems require upgrades and replacements to provide students the access to electronic databases and resources that they need for their education. As more and more information becomes available in electronic digital format it becomes increasingly important to educate students how to access and utilize these resources.

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Project Timeline:

FY09

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Goose Bay Elementary School.

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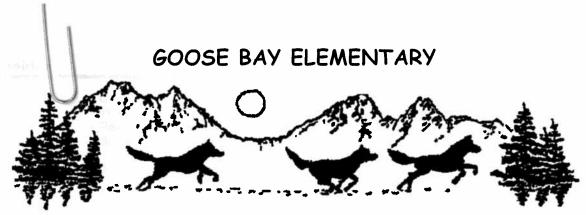
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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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Making Tracks Into The Future Brooke L. Kelly, Principal

February 20, 2008

Dear Mr. Neuman,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the support you have shown Goose Bay Elementary. The \$7,500 grant that you gave our school purchased hundreds of books for our students to use. As you know, reading is a top priority for schools and this grant from you helped make this more of a reality or our students.

Our school's success rests in large part on your continued support and involvement. Goose Bay would like to ask for your support again in 2008. Our school has many great things about it, but we are lagging in technology. With another grant of \$7,500 we would be able to purchase a Promethean Board and 4 student computers. These are important years and it is vital that we work together so our young children are challenged to a degree that will prompt a love of learning and a desire to become the best they can be. Technology is one highly effective way to accomplish this!

The students at Goose Bay Elementary are better off because of your support. On behalf of them, their families, and the Goose Bay staff ~ Thank you!

Sincerely,

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